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Application of: Joel B. EPSTEIN

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For: METHOD OF TREATING GASTRO-INTESTINAL Attorney Docket No. 215064.00028
TRACT INFLAMMATORY DISORDERS USING TOPICAL
ACTIVE CORTICOSTEROIDS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a four-month extension of time to respond to the final Office Action dated May 21, 2003, thereby extending the period for response January 21, 2004 to May 21, 2004. The extension fee of \$740.00 is enclosed.

No additional fees are believed to be necessary. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1710.

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